

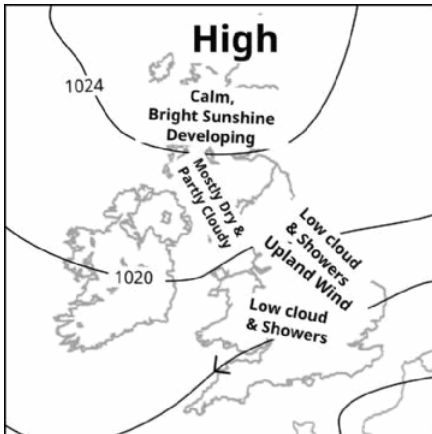
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Cairngorms National Park and Monadhliath. Also includes the Ben Alder area hills between Loch Ericht and Loch Laggan.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 2 October, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 2 October, 2024

Sunny and dry in the Highlands, only glens in cloud in the morning. Rare showers in southern Scotland, more frequent in northern England - Lake District shall stay mostly dry, some sun here. Wet & cloudy morning in Peak District and on most Welsh hills, there slowly improving.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Clear skies above clouded glens. Light winds, dry

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 2 October, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Easterly or variable, 10-15mph, or less on some slopes; gusty in places through high passes.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain very unlikely Low chance fine drizzle on some slopes briefly in east.
Cloud on the hills?	Early low cloud, clearing Banks of low cloud mainly toward east and north of Cairngorms in the morning, likely down to valley bottom - mountains above 600m should stay above the cloud. Tending to rise, thin and break up during day.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine all day west of the A9, elsewhere becoming sunny after some morning low clouds. Very good visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5C, rising slightly by afternoon.
Freezing Level	Above the summits, but frost at dawn in most glens and some sheltered higher areas.

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 3 October	Friday 4 October
<p>How windy? (On the Munros)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Southerly or southwesterly 15-20mph, perhaps on Cairngorm Plateau afternoon 25mph. Locally complete lull at times.</p> <p>Fairly small, locally can make walking inconvenient on higher exposed paths.</p>	<p>Southerly, 35 to 40mph, on Cairngorm Plateau & highest tops possibly 45-50mph. Very gusty, gusts may reach 60mph.</p> <p>Considerable buffeting, walking arduous, in places very difficult and gusts likely to knock you over.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Rain not expected</p>	<p>West and north perhaps wet</p> <p>Rain possible toward Drumochter and Monadhliath, in the afternoon also northern Cairngorms possibly affected. Central Cairngorms and areas around Braemar dry in the morning, later just low risk of rain here.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free Munros?</p>	<p>Hills clear</p> <p>Morning fog in southern valleys, up to even 600-700m (cloud top). Cloud rising a little through the day, largely breaking and dissipating. In northern Cairngorms valleys and hills likely clear.</p> <p>90% above morning fog</p>	<p>Glens covered, hills widely clear</p> <p>Very low cloud in glens, for longest in southern Cairngorms. Cloud top rarely higher than 500m. Cloud dissipating during the morning. Perhaps clouds building up near tops around Loch Ericht later.</p> <p>80%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Sunny with fair weather clouds.</p> <p>Excellent visibility.</p>	<p>Except for low cloud in some valleys widely sunny, perhaps partly cloudy in the west. More clouds in the afternoon. Excellent visibility.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 900m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>6 to 8C</p> <p>Above the summits, but frost at dawn inland glens and some sheltered higher areas.</p>	<p>6 to 7C, with inversion a little warmer higher up, but in wind feeling below -5C.</p> <p>Above the summits.</p>

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 3 October, 2024

Dry and sunny Thursday, on Friday only in western Scotland deteriorating conditions, especially beware of severe winds in Highlands in general. Lowering pressure and southwesterly winds toward the weekend brings an unsettled spell- rain at times, briefly milder air. Likely turning colder again during the weekend onward into early next week. Cold and showery toward next Wednesday.

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